

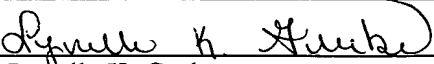


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

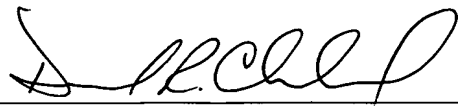
In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed February 13, 2003, said period of response being extended from May 13, 2003 to July 13, 2003.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$410.00 to Deposit Account 13-3723 to cover the required extension of time fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of  
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